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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 8 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 2A and 2B: cDNA (SEQ. ID. Nos. 5 & 7) and amino acid (SEQ. ID. Nos. 6 & 8) sequences of the variable regions of light and heavy chains of humanized antibody HuZAF. Kabat CDRs are underlined.

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